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In re Patent of: Howard Preissman

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For: ENHANCED VISIBILITY MATERIALS  
FOR IMPLANTATION IN HARD TISSUE

) Examiner: Cheryl L. Miller

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) **RESPONSE TO INTERVIEW SUMMARY**

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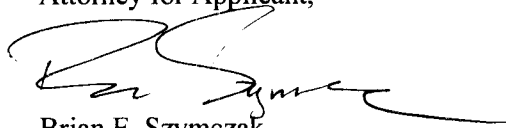
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An interview was conducted on October 16, 2006, with examiner Cheryl Miller and Applicant's attorney, Brian E. Szymczak in regards to the above mentioned patent application. Claims 40, 62, 63, 67, 72 and 73 were discussed. Applicant filed an RCE on October 12, 2006, which the Examiner agreed to thoroughly consider Applicant's arguments with respect to the final rejection at that time and would conduct a phone interview with Applicant upon reading and considering the arguments.

Applicant believes there are no fees due at this time, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees necessary or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0359 of ArthroCare Corporation in order to effectuate this filing.

If there are any matters concerning this Application that may be cleared up in a telephone conversation, please contact Applicant's attorney at 512.391.3961.

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